



# City of Annapolis

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## Maritime Advisory Board

May 19, 2015

The Maritime Advisory Board (MAB) of the City of Annapolis held its regular meeting on May 19, 2015 at the Pip Moyer Recreation Center, 273 Hilltop Lane. **Chair** Lomax called the meeting to order at 7:01pm.

**Present:** **Chair** Lomax, **Vice Chair** Buchheister, Fegley, Franke, Pettingil, Allan, Hood

**Absent:** Gosselin, Woodward

**Staff:** Biba, Brookes

**Guest:** Pete Gutwald-Director of P&Z

### II. April 21, 2015 Meeting Minutes

Mr. Hood moved approval of the April 21, 2015 as written. Mr. Allan seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously in a vote of 7-0.

Mr. Pettingil asked if the fees for the mooring balls was finalized and Mr. Brookes responded that they have been finalized to remain the same so there are not changes in the fees at this time. He believes that Alderman Arnett will be submitting a new proposal so agreed to keep the MAB informed.

### III. REGULAR/OLD BUSINESS

#### A. Annapolis-Newport Promotion

**Chair** Lomax noted that it will be a two-day start and the Mayor has expressed interested in going out on a boat to watch the start of the race.

#### B. Harbor Tour

**Chair** Lomax has not heard back from Ms. Jacalyn Bierman in the Mayor's office regarding a date so will follow up with her.

#### C. Blue Angels/Exclusion Zone

**Chair** Lomax noted that the exclusion zone has worked well for the Blue Angels event. Mr. Brookes would like the commercial vessels to contact him earlier to limit the number of boats in the exclusion zone. Mr. Allan asked that the City ensure that a map of the zone be provided on website so that the zones could easily be identified.

### IV. NEW BUSINESS:

#### A. Guests: Pete Gutwald – Director of Planning and Zoning

The MAB did introductions for Mr. Gutwald. **Chair** Lomax referred to a document titled "City of Annapolis Maritime Advisory Board" that is an overview of the MAB's composition, function and responsibilities. He explained that the MAB hosts a Harbor Tour annually in the Spring to allow the Mayor, Aldermen and new staff to tour the maritime businesses in the City from the water side. There was general discussion and the MAB asked several questions of which Mr. Gutwald

addressed. Several of the MAB raised concerns regarding the limited retail space for maritime businesses; there are many misconceptions of what constitutes a maritime business; and suggested that the Planning and Zoning Director look at how to help the City maritime businesses because these businesses are in competition with other maritime industry leaders.

After the general discussion, Mr. Gutwald gave a brief bio of his work history.

**B. NSHOF Dock Lease Status**

**Chair** Lomax reported there is an issue regarding whether the NSHOF had a lease. It is his understanding that there is a MOU but not sure of a lease. Mr. Biba agreed to check into this issue and Mr. Allan agreed to discuss this with the NSHOF at the next meeting.

**C. Reappointments: Gosselin, Franke, Allan, Lomax, Pettingill, Hood and Woodward**

**Chair** Lomax sent in all the requests for reappointments received and everyone was encouraged to send Ms. Bierman an updated resume. He had not heard from Mr. Woodward so agreed to follow up with him.

**D. Fawcett Property – Use Interpretation**

Mr. Gutwald provided a brief discussion regarding the status and the MAB would continue to monitor this agenda item.

**V. DEFERRED MATTERS:**

**A.** Committee Assignments

**VI. ADJOURNMENT**

**The next meeting is Tuesday, June 16, 2015 at the Pip Moyer Recreation Center.** With there being no further business, Mr. Pettingil moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:39pm. Mr. Fegley seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously in a vote of 7-0.

Tami Hook, Recorder